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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Ronald S. Vladyka Jr.

Application Serial No.:

09/708,581

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Title: Microcrystalline Cellulose

Cushioning Granules

Group Art Unit: 1623 Examiner: Everett White

PETITION AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (ONE MONTH)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a one month extension of time up to and including February 27, 2003 for the purpose of permitting the timely filing of a Notice of Appeal submitted concurrently herewith.

A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith for the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account no. 50-0462 for any additional fees associated with this response and/or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 50-0462.

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